GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services - Collapse of the wall at Sri Varaha lakshmi Narasimha Swamy Vari Devasthanam, Simhachalam during the Chandanotsavam approximately at 3.30 AM on 30.04.2025 – Death of seven people – Appointed a High Level Inquiry Committee- Preliminary enquiry report submitted - Placed Sri K. Ramana, Executive Engineer, Water Resources department working as Executive Engineer in APTDC, Visakhapatnam Hub on deputation basis under suspension - Orders - Issued.

YOUTH ADVANCEMENT, TOURISM & CULTURE (T) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 87 **Dated: 08-05-2025**

Read:

From the G.A (SC.I) Dept.,U.O. Note No.2810936/SCI/A2/2025, Dt. 07.05.2025 along with the Preliminary report of the Inquiry commission in D.O.Lr.No.1562/Prl.Secy/MA&UD(Peshi)/2025, Dt.05.05.2025.

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ORDER:

Whereas, in the reference read above, the Inquiry Commission constituted by the G.A (SC.I) Dept., vide G.O.Ms.No.49, G.A (SC.I) Dept., Dt.30.04.2025, has submitted preliminary Inquiry report on the issue of Collapse of the wall at Sri Varaha Lakshmi Narasimha Swamy Vari Devasthanam, Simhachalam during the Chandanotsavam approximately at 3.30 AM on 30.04.2025 which caused, death of seven people and recommended in respect of Sri K. Ramana, Executive Engineer, Water Resources department working as Executive Engineer in APTDC, Visakhapatnam Hub that, he was responsible for the approval of plan, Design and drawings and execution of the works as per approved design. It is reported that he is responsible for the supervision of the work and certifying the safety of all constructions. Though he was denying any knowledge of the work, it is established that he was fully aware of the construction and the lapses. Despite that he has failed to take any measures to rectify the defects and ensure safety of the structure. He has miserably failed to supervise the works and ensure that the construction is done as per designs and duly following all safety measures.

2. Government after careful examination of the matter and in exercise of the powers conferred by Rule 8 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control & Appeal) Rules, 1991, hereby place Sri K. Ramana, Executive Engineer, Water Resources department working as Executive Engineer in APTDC, Visakhapatnam Hub, under suspension with immediate effect.

3. Government also order that, during the period, this order remains in force, the delinquent officer Sri K. Ramana, Executive Engineer, Water Resources department working as Executive Engineer in APTDC, Visakhapatnam Hub, shall not leave the Head Quarters without obtaining the prior permission of the Government.

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4. Government also order that during the period of suspension, Sri K. Ramana, Executive Engineer, Water Resources department working as Executive Engineer in APTDC, Visakhapatnam Hub, shall be paid subsistence allowance as per rules in force.

5. The Vice Chairman & Managing Director, Andhra Pradesh Tourism Development Corporation shall take further necessary action in the matter.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

AJAY JAIN
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Sri K. Ramana, Executive Engineer, Water Resources department
working as Executive Engineer in APTDC, Visakhapatnam Hub,
(Through the Vice Chairman & Managing Director, APTDC, Vijayawada).
The Vice Chairman & Managing Director, Andhra Pradesh Tourism
Development Corporation, Vijayawada.
Copy to:
The PS to Principal Secretary to CM.
The PS to Hon'ble Minister for Cinematography, Tourism & Culture.
The PS to Secretary to Govt., (Water Resources Department).
The District Collector, Visakhapatnam District.
The Engineer-in-Chief, Water Resources Department, Vijayawada.
The General Administration (SC-B) Department, A.P., Secretariat.
The Divisional Manager, Visakhapatnam.
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